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Clinton Edward Lum

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For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR REMOTE INSTALLATION OF
NETWORK DRIVERS AND
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-captioned patent application, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

AMENDMENT*In the Claims:**Please add the following new claim(s):*

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30. (New) A distributed packet based security system installed and enabled without shutdown or restart across a plurality of computers in a network that enables each of said plurality of computers to evaluate packets received over the network according to a

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SIR: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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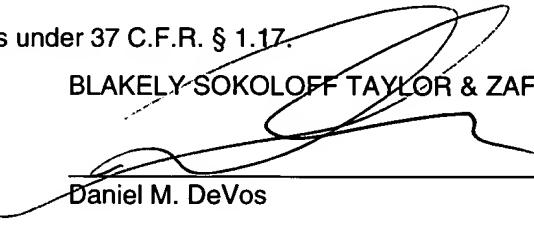
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